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METHOD FOR PRODUCING COUPLING COMPOUND	:		

AMENDMENT

This is in response to the Office Action dated May 25, 2006 (Paper No. 0506, hereinafter referred to as “the Office Action”), in the above-referenced application. This response is being timely filed on or before the expiration of the shortened statutory period for response which is set to expire on August 25, 2006.

Amendments to and Listing of the Claims begin on page 2 of this response.
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Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of all pending claims based on the following.